## SENATE BILL 2956 By Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, relative to health insurance for state employees.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-201, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (i):

(i) The state insurance committee shall set deductibles to be paid by state employees participating in health insurance under this chapter on a sliding scale on the basis of the employee's salary. The committee shall set such deductibles in a revenue neutral manner across the health insurance plan for state employees.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2006, and shall apply to the next contract for health insurance for state employees entered into by the state after such date, the public welfare requiring it.